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AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please replace the Abstract on page 55 with the following amended Abstract:

A process for the preparation of mesostructured organofunctional silica and silica-alumina compositions using a hydrolyzable organosilane compound is described. The process uses a water soluble silicate to form the compositions, which have hexagonal, wormhole or foam mesostructures. The compositions are useful for catalytic and sorption applications.